GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:119
ANSWERED ON:25.07.2016
Inclusion in ST List
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) The criteria and procedure being followed for inclusion/exclusion from and for carrying out other modifications in Scheduled Tribes (ST) List;

(b) whether the Government has received proposals from various State Governments including Odisha for inclusion of various communities in the list of STs, and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the action taken by the Government thereon along with the names of communities included in the list of STs during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(d) whether a number of proposals including those from Odisha for inclusion of tribes in the list of Scheduled Tribes are still pending with the Government for approval; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefore along with the present status thereof and the time by which these proposals are likely to be approved, State/UT-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI JUAL ORAM)
(a) to (e) : A statement is laid on the table of the House.

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STATEMENT IN REFERENCE TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 119 FOR 25-7-2016 REGARDING INCLUSION IN ST LIST BY SHRI BALABHADRA MAJHI AND DR. K. GOPAL.

(a)Criteria followed for specification of a community as a Scheduled Tribe (ST) are:
(i) indications of primitive traits,
(ii) distinctive culture,
(iii) geographical isolation,
(iv) shyness of contact with the community at large, and
(v) backwardness.
Government of India on 15.6.1999 (as further amended on 25.6.2002), has approved modalities for deciding claims for inclusion in, exclusion from and other modifications in Orders specifying lists of STs. Accordingly, only such proposals which satisfy following procedure :
(i) Recommendation by concerned State Government / UT Administration with full justification.
(ii) Concurrence of Registrar General of India (RGI)
(iii) Views of National Commission for Scheduled Tribes (NCST)
in above sequence are considered for inclusion.

(b) & (c) Yes, Madam.Statement indicating list of proposals received from State Governments/UT Administration for inclusion of communities as STs is Annexed.Marati (of the Hosdurg and Kasargod Taluks of Kasargod District) was included in list of STs of Kerala and Abhuj Maria and Hill Korwawere included in list of STs of Chhattisgarh in 2013. During current year, with Cabinet approval, for inclusion of Bodo, BodoKachari, Boro, BoroKachari, Karbi (Mikir) in Assam;Bhuinya, Bhuiyan, Bhuyan, Dhanuhar/Dhanuwar, Kisan, Saunra, Saonra, Dhangad (rectification in Hindi version) in Chhattisgarh;Deshwari, Ganjhu, Dautalbandi (Dwalbandi), Patbandi, Raut, Maajhia, Khairi (Kheri), Puran in Jharkhand;MalayaliGounder, Narikoravan, Kurivikkaran in Tamil Nadu;Darlong in Tripura and Irular (including Villi and Vettaikaran) identified as a new community for inclusion in STs list in UT Puducherry, a Bill is proposed to be introduced soon.

(d) & (e)Details may be seen at Annexure.Proposals have been processed as per extant modalities and no definite time period can be indicated.
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Annexure

STATE-WISE/UT-WISE LIST OFPROPOSALS RECEIVED FROM STATE GOVERNMENTS FOR INCLUSION OF COMMUNITIES IN ST LIST

Sl.No. Name of Community Proposal of State Government / UT Status / Present position

ANDHRA PRADESH

1. Mandula

State Govt. proposed on 31.3.2009 Views of RGI conveyed to State Government for further justification.

2. KondaKummari State Govt. proposed on 5.8.2011 Views of RGI conveyed to State Government for further justification.

ARUNACHAL PRADESH

3. Yobin State Govt. proposed on 26.11.2013 RGI supported proposal. NCST furnished their observation which was referred toGovernment of Arunachal Pradesh on 14.10.2014.

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Delete the word 'any Naga Tribe' and replace with Wancho, Nocte, Tangsa, Tutsa, Ollo State Govt. proposed on 29.6.2012 NCST vide letter dated 26.09.2014 furnished comments. Same was referred to Government of Arunachal Pradesh for further justification and comprehensive report vide letter dated 14.10.2014.

ASSAM

5 Karbi (Mikir)

Govt. of Assam vide letter dtd. 18.01.2013 recommended with ethnographic report. Cabinet has approved on 25.05.2016.

6 Matak and Maran . Vide letter dt. 20.6.13, State Govt. recommended with ethnographic report. Sent to RGI for comments

7 AmriKarbi Govt. of Assam vide letter dtd. 15.06.2013 recommended with ethnographic report. Sent to RGI for comments

8. Change of Nomenclature of "Miri" to "Mising"

Vide letter dated 15.7.2013, State Govt. recommended change of name of "Miri" to "Mising". RGI sought some clarification, conveyed to State Government for comments.

9. BodoKachari

State Government recommended with ethnographic report on 29.10.2010. Cabinet has approved on 25.05.2016.

10. Tai Ahom &Chutia State Govt. recommended with ethnographic report on 20.3.13. Sent to RGI for comments

11. Koch Rajbongshi State Govt. recommended with ethnographic report vide letter dated 20.6.2013 Sent to RGI for comments

12 Mal Paharia State Govt. recommended with ethnographic report on 12.1.2012

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Sent to RGI for comments.

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13. Bedia

14. Saora

15 Kharia

16. Gond

17. Munda

18. Damdari

19. Bonda

20. Mahli
21. Shabar

22. Parja

23. Mirdha

24. Kishan

25. ChikBaraik

26. Kol

27. Pradhan

28. Khond

29. Birjia

30. Korwa

31. Kherwar

32. Chero

33. Koya

34. Birhor

35. Bhumij

36. Halba

37. Majwar
38. Dhanwar
39. Kawar
40. Gorait
41. Asur
42. Baiga
43. Lodha
44. Nagasia
45 Bhil

46. Oraon
47. Santal
BIHAR
48 Lohara Government of Bihar vide letter dated 8.10.2015 recommended inclusion of "?????" in ST list of Bihar with ethnographic report. Sent to RGI for comments
49. Krishi, Vishya / Chasot as synonym of Kisan Govt. of Bihar vide letter dated 15.5.2008 recommended with ethnographic report. RGI did support the proposal. Conveyed to State Government.
50. Kamkar within bracket with Kharwar State Govt. vide letter dated 5.8.2011 and letter dated 8.1.2014 recommended for inclusion of "Kamkar" within bracket with "Kharwar" Sent to RGI for comments..
CHHATTISGARH
51. Pathari as synonym of Pardhan (entry no. 35) State Govt. on 7.1.2010 proposed for this community RGI did not support the proposal. Conveyed to State Govt.
52. Saura, Sahara, Soura&Saonra as synonyms of Sawar, Sawara (entry 41) The State Govt. has for the 3rd time submitted the proposal for inclusion vide letter No. F.10-5/2012/25-2 dated 05.9.2013.
Cabinet has approved on 25.5.2016.
53. Mahra State Govt. on 19.2.2014 proposed for inclusion in Bastar division.
Govt. of Chhattisgarh vide letter dated 13.10.15 informed that Mahra community does not fulfil criteria for inclusion of ST.

54. ""Bhuinya, Bhuiyan, Bhuyan, Bhuyya, Bhiyan" communities as synonyms of "BhariaBhumia" listed at entry No. 5
State Govt. on 18.2.2010 recommended for inclusion ""Bhuinya, Bhuiyan, Bhuyan, Bhuyya, Bhiyan" communities as synonyms of "BhariaBhumia" listed at entry No. 5 Cabinet has approved on 25.5.2016.
55. Gadba without change in English text.(entry 15) State Govt. proposed on 30.4.2014. Sent to RGI for comments
56. Dhanuhar, Dhanuwar as a synonym of Dhanwar (entry no. 14) State Govt. on 7/1/2012 proposed for inclusion of these communities. Cabinet has approved on 25.5.2016.
57. Binjhia

State Govt. on 17/2/2011 proposed for inclusion of this community in districts. Recommended by State Govt., RGI and NCST.
58. Sabria State Govt. proposed on 13.9.2011. RGI did not support the proposal. Conveyed to State Govt.
59. Rautia State Government proposed on 7.9.2011 RGI did not support the proposal. Conveyed to State Govt.
60. Kisan as synonym of Nagesia, Nagasia (entry no. 32) State Govt. on 10/1/2012 proposed for inclusion of this community. Cabinet has approved on 25.5.2016.
61. Parganiha, Pardhan State Govt. proposed on 29.4.2013
State Govt. sent comments on 26.3.2014 RGI did not support the proposal. Conveyed to State Govt. Justification from State Govt. has been sent to RGI for comments.
62. Dhuri, Dhoori State Govt. proposed on 12.12.2013 RGI did not support the proposal. Conveyed to State Govt.
63. Banjara, Nayak State Govt proposed on 13.12.2013 RGI did not support the proposal. Conveyed to State Govt.
64. Amnit, Amneet as sub-caste of Bhattara State Govt. proposed on 1.8.2014 Sent to RGI for comments
65 Kodaku at Sl no.27 State Govt. proposed on 27.5.2014 Sent to RGI for comments
66. Kondh/Kond State Govt. proposed on 27.5.2014 Sent to RGI for comments
67. Nagawanshi without any change in English version at Sl.No.16 State Govt. proposed on 30.4.2014 Sent to RGI for comments
68. Kherwar, Khairwar at sl. No.21 State Govt. proposed on 26.7.2014 Sent to RGI for comments
69. Majhwar (inclusion of variant Devnagari version) at Sl.No.29 State Govt. proposed on 27.5.2014 Sent to RGI for comments
70. TanwarChhatri State Govt. proposed on 28.8.2014 Sent to RGI for comments
71. Parhia State Govt. proposed on 26.7.2014 Sent to RGI for comments
72. Dhangad(rectification of ???? in Hindi version by substitution with ??????) State Govt. proposed on 30.9.2014 Cabinet has approved on 25.5.2016.

73. Dhimar, Kewat, Kahar and Mallah as synonym of Majhi

State Govt. proposed on 25.9.2009 RGI did not support the proposal. Conveyed to State Govt.
74. Bhuihar in Hindi at Sl. No.5
State Govt. proposed on 30.4.2014 Sent to RGI for comments
75. Pando
State Govt. proposed on 30.4.2014 Sent to RGI for comments
76. Bharia (rectification in Hindi Version) at Sl.No.5
State Govt. proposed on 30.4.2014 Sent to RGI for comments
77. Gond (inclusion of variant Devanagari version at Sl.No.16
State Govt. proposed on 30.4.2014 Sent to RGI for comments
GOA
78. Exclusion of communities
(i) Dhodia
(ii) Dubla (Halpati)
(iii) Naikda (Talavia)
(iv) Siddi (Nayaka)
(v) Varli State Govt. recommended in 2007. State Govt. has been requested for furnishing the survey report in support of proposal on 19-3-2013.
79. Dhangar (Gauli) State Govt. recommended in 2002. RGI did not support the proposal.
JAMMU & KASHMIR
80. Argons community
(Ladakh Region) State Govt. proposed on 8. 8.1989. State Govt. on 21.2.2007 sent justification on the proposal. RGI did not support the proposal. Conveyed to State Govt.
81. Pahari speaking people State Govt. proposed on 29.05.2001. RGI did not support the proposal. Conveyed to State Govt.
JHARKHAND

82. Biar Recommended by State Govt..vide letter dated 8.12.2004. State Govt. requested to send recommendation alongwith ethnographic report.
83. Kolh (Teli) Recommended by Jharkhand Govt. vide letter dated 6.1.2005. State Govt. requested to send recommendation alongwith ethnographic report.
84. Khetauri Recommended by Jharkhand Govt. vide letter dated 31.10.12. RGI did not support the proposal. Conveyed to State Govt.
85. Kurmi /Kudmi (Mahto) Government of Jharkhand, vide letter dated 10.2.2015 sent ethnographic report which has not supported the inclusion of Kurmi/Kudmi (Mahto) community in STs list of Jharkhand. State Govt. did not recommend.
86. Ghatwar / Ghatwal Recommended by Jharkhand Govt. vide letter dated 31.10.12. RGI did not support the proposal. Conveyed to State Govt.
87. Puran Recommended by Jharkhand Govt. vide letter dated 22.1.2011. Cabinet has approved on 25.5.2016.
88. Bhogta, Deshwari, Ganju, Dautalbandi (Dwalbandi), Patbandi, Raut, Maajhia and Khairi Recommended by Jharkhand Govt. vide letter dated 2.3.12 Bill is proposed to be introduced with regard to these communities very soon.
89. Rautia Recommended by Jharkhand Govt. vide letter dated 28.9.2012 RGI did not support the proposal. Conveyed to State Govt.
KARNATAKA

90. Gangamatha (37 synonymous) Recommended by Karnataka Govt. vide letter dated 2001 & 3-3-2014 Sent to RGI for comments.
91. HalakkiVokkalu Recommended by Karnataka Govt. vide letter dated 21.10.2009 RGI did not support the proposal. Conveyed to State Government.
92. Talwara and Pariwara as synonym of Naika Recommended by Karnataka Govt. vide letter dated 22.8.2002 & 25.2.2014 Sent to RGI for comments.
93. Kuruba (Gulbarga) as synonym of Gond ST of Karnataka. Recommended by Karnataka Govt. vide letter dated 1997 & 4.3.2014 Sent to RGI for comments.
94. Kadugolla (Advaigolla) and its other synonyms like Hattigolla Recommended by Karnataka Govt. vide letter dated 26.12.2014 & 17.8.2015 Sent to RGI for comments.
95 Removal of area restriction Kaniyan, Kanyan (in Kollegal taluk of Mysore district) and inclusion of synonyms of Kani, Kaniya, Kaniyaru, Kaniyar, Kanisan Recommended by Karnataka Govt. vide letter dated 4.3.2014 Sent to RGI for comments.
KERALA
96. Vetan and Nayadi
Recommended by Kerala Govt. vide letter dated 14.12.2009 RGI did not support the proposal. Conveyed to State Government.
97. Kunduvadiyan
Recommended by Kerala Govt. vide letter dated 2.3.2012 RGI did not support proposal. Conveyed to State Government.
98. Malayali Recommended by Kerala Govt. vide letter dated 2.7.2013 & 19.2.2015 Sent to RGI for comments.
MADHYA PRADESH
99. Re-inclusion of Meena, Keer and Pardhi State Govt. proposed on 20.5.2011. Comments of RGI sent to State Government.
100. Dheemar, Kevat, Kahar, Bhoi, Mallah and Nishad as synonym of Majhi and Majhwar State Govt. proposed on 22.12.2005. Comments of RGI sent to State Govt. on 1.11.2013.
101. Kamar as synonym of Kanwar with area restriction in Shahdol District State Govt. proposed on 20.8.2013. RGI did not support the proposal. Conveyed to State Government.
102. "Panika" with removal of areas restriction State Govt. proposed on 15.5.2014 Comments of RGI sent to State govt.
103. Badi State Govt. proposed on 16.12.2008 Comments of RGI sent to State govt. on 11.9.2009 for further justification.
104. Vaadi with area restriction State Govt. proposed inclusion of Vaadi community in the area restriction of Jabalpur and Shahdol Division in the list of Scheduled Tribe of Madhya Pradesh on 12.8.2014
Sent to RGI for comments.
ODISHA

105. Laban State Govt. sent the proposal in 2014.
RGI did not support the proposal.
106. Labana
107. Bhattada
108. Bhottara
109. BodoBhottada
110. Sano Bhottada
111. Bhuinya
112. Pauri Bhuyan / Paudi Bhuyan (PTG) State Govt. sent the proposal in 2014.
Sent to RGI for comments.
113. PrajaBhuyan/ ParjaBhuyan / ParajaBhuyan/ ParojaBhuyan/ RoutaliBhuyan State Govt. sent the proposal in 2014.
RGI did not support the proposal.
114. RajkoliBhuyan / RajkuliBhuyan
115. PaikaBhuyan / Paik Bhuyan / KhandayatBhuyan / Khandayat Paik Bhuyan
116. Bhumija
117. SinglalBhumij / SinglatBhumij
118. TamodiaBhumij / TamadiaBhumij / TamudiaBhumij / TamuliaBhumij / TamundiaBhumij State proposed on 14.10.2014, without complete reports. State Government asked to send the complete proposal.
119. ChuktiaBhunjia (PTG) State Govt. sent the proposal in 2014 Sent to RGI for comments.
120. Banda Paraja State Govt. sent the proposal in 2014 RGI did not support the proposal.
121. BondaParaja State Govt. sent the proposal in 2014 RGI did not support the proposal.
122 Durua State Govt. sent the proposal in 2014 Sent to RGI for comments.
123 Dhurua State Govt. sent the proposal in 2014 Sent to RGI for comments.
124 Dhurava State Govt. sent the proposal in 2014 Sent to RGI for comments.
125 OlleraGadaba State Govt. sent the proposal in 2014 RGI did not support the proposal.
126 Sana Gadaba
127 MeriaGond (Maria Gond)
128 Muria / MuriaGond
129 TanlaGauda State Govt. Proposed on 30.09.2014 Sent to RGI for comments.
130 Kaur / Kaanr / Koanr / Kuanr / Kunwar / Kuanwar / Konwar State Govt. sent the proposal in 2014 RGI did not support the proposal.
131 DudhaKharia
132 PahadiKharia (Hill Kharia)
133 Delki / DelkiKharia
134 Nageswar
135 KolhaLohara
136 KolKamar
137 ErengaKolha
138 CherengaKolha
139 GampaKoya
140 GumpaKoya
141 Koitor
142 MussaraKoya / MusriKoya
143 LodhaKhadia
144 Mankidia
145 ErengaMunda
146 NagabansiMunda
147 Amanatia
148 Uram State Govt. sent the Proposal on 25.4.2015 Sent to RGI for comments.
149 Dhangara State Govt. sent the Proposal on 25.4.2015 Sent to RGI for comments.
150 Oram / Uraon State Govt. sent the Proposal on 25.4.2015 Sent to RGI for comments.
151 OraonMudi (Mudi) State Govt. sent the Proposal on 25.4.2015 Sent to RGI for comments.
152 BarengJhodiaParoja State Govt. sent the proposal in 2014 RGI did not support the proposal.
153 PengaParoja
154 PenguParoja
155 Porja
156 SeliaParoja
157 JhaduaBindhani
158 KuviKandha
159 KuiKandha State proposed on 7.7.2014 Sent to RGI for comments.
160 BudhaKondh / BudhaKandha / BuduKondh / DuduKandha / BuriKandha State Govt. sent the proposal in 2014 RGI did not support the proposal.
161 DesuaKandha / DesiKandha
162 DanguriaKandha / DongriaKandha
163 KutiaKondh
164 PenguKandha
165 TikiraKondha /TikiriaKandha
166 Oriya Kandha /OdiaKandha
167 Bhima
168 BobiliSaora
169 GontarSaora
170 JaduSavar

171 JathiSavar / JathiSaora
172 KampoSaora
173 KapuSaora
174 KudubaSaora
175 KurumbaSaora
176 KumbiSaora
177 LariaSaora
178 MallaSavar
179 Oriya Saora / OdiaSaora
180 PatraSavara
181 Sudha Savar /Sudha Saora / Sudho Soura
182 TanklaSavar / KindalSavar
183 VasuSaora / BasuSaora
184 KandhaKumbhar State Govt. sent the proposal in 2014 Comments of RGI sent to NCST.
185 Paharia State Govt. sent the proposal in 2014 RGI did not support the proposal.
186 Konda Reddy / KondaReddi State Govt. sent the Proposal on 8.9.2014 Sent to RGI for comments.
187 Muka Dora / Mooka Dora / Nuka Dora / Nooka Dora State Govt. sent the Proposal on 7.7.2014 Sent to RGI for comments.
188 Saara State Govt. sent the Proposal on 20.12.2011 RGI did not support the proposal. Conveyed to State Govt.
189 Jodia / Jhodia / Jadia / Jhadia State Govt. sent the proposal in 2014 RGI did not support the proposal.
190 Luhura, Lohara, Lohar State Govt. sent the proposal in 2014 RGI did not support the proposal.
PUNJAB
191 Buria, Bazigar, Banjara, Bangala, Brara, Ghandhila, Nat and Sansi (including its 33 sub- castes Kuchband, Bhedkut, Manesh, Gadria, Bachhabans, Kopet, Aheria, Tettlu, Bheria, Arhar, bhantu, Chattu, Bhattu, Habura, Kikan, Harrar, Khola, Behlowala, Biddu, Langeh, Singiwala, Kanjar, Mishkari, Bhaginarmaur, Kingicut, Dhe, Kalkinar, Chaddi or Chadi, Birtwal, Biharia, Pakhwara, Haddon, Haria State Govt. sent proposal with ethnographic report on 19.11.2012. Sent to RGI for comments.
SIKKIM
192 Thami, Bahun, Chhetri, Sanyasi (Jogi) Newar", KiratKhambuRai, KiratDewan (Yakha), Bhujel, Sunuwar, Mangar and Gurung. State Govt. sent proposal on 18.7.2012 State Government has been informed, to furnish justification/clarification on 01.9.2014 and on 17.3.2016.

TAMIL NADU

193 MalayaliGounder
(without area restriction) State Govt. proposed on 14.8.2006 Cabinet has approved on 25.5.2016.
194 Kuravan, Sidhanar and 26 other Koravars State Govt. proposed on 21.8.2006 Sent to RGI for comments.
195 Narikoravan grouped with Kuruvikaran community State Govt. proposed on 21.8.2006 Cabinet has approved on 25.5.2016.
196 Kuruma, Kuruman, Kurumba, KurumbaGounder, Kurumban and Kurumbar communities as synonymous of 'Kurumans' ST. State Govt. proposed on 21.8.2006 RGI has not supported the proposal for inclusion of Kuruma, Kurumba, KurumbaGounder, Kurumban and Kurumbar communities as synonyms of Kurumans ST. Same was sent to State Govt. for appropriate action.
Proposal of Kuruman referred to NCST on 9.10.14.
197 Change of existing names of STs (20 Scheduled Tribes) 26.12.2007 received from MOSJE on 6.2.2008 Comments of RGI have been referred to State Government for further justification on 6.2.2009 and reminded on 30.5.2014.
198 Vettaikaran and Vettaikaranayakkan State Govt. proposed on 1991 & 1992 State Government requested for ethnographic report. State Govt. has informed ethnographic report under preparation.
199 Badaga State Govt. proposed on 1990 & 16.9.2003 RGI did not support the proposal. Communicated to State Government.
200 Yerukula State Govt. proposed on 16.12.2014 Sent to RGI for comments.
201 Valmiki State Govt. proposed on 16.12.2014 Sent to RGI for comments.
TRIPURA
202 Darlong State Govt. proposed on 1.1.2003 Cabinet has approved on 25.05.2016.
UTTRAKHAND

203
Balti The State Govt. has recommended on 10.2.2014 along with ethnographic report. Comments of RGI sent to Stat Govt. to furnish further justification on 19.8.2014.

UTTAR PRADESH

204 Gihar (Kanjar)
Govt of UP vide letter dtd 9.1.14 forwarded proposal for inclusion of Gihar (Kanjad) community in STs list of UP. Sent to RGI for comments.
205 Gond, Dhuria, Nayak, Ojha, Pathari, Rajgondin newly created districts of SantKabirnagarKushinagar, Chandauli and Santravidasnagar. Government of UP, vide letter dtd. 11.12.2013, recommended for inclusion of Gond, Dhuria, Nayak, Ojha, Pathari, Rajgond communities in STs list of UP in newly created districts of SantKabir Nagar, Kushinagar, Chandauli and SantRavidas Nagar. Recommendation of RGI sent to NCST for comments.
206 Banjara Recommendation of Govt. of UP for inclusion of Banjara community in list of ST of UP has been referred to RGI for comments. Sent to RGI for comments.
WEST BENGAL

207
Bhujel, Gurung, Mangar, Newar, Jogi, Khas, Rai, Sunuwar, Thami and Yakha (Dewan) State Govt. sent proposal on 28.2.14. Sent to RGI for comments.
208 Dhimal State Govt. sent proposal on 28.2.14. Sent to RGI for comments.
209
Kol State Govt. sent proposal with ethnographic report on 19.6.2014. Comments of RGI sent to State Govt. for further justification on 23.7.14.
PUDDUCHERY

210. (i) Irular
(including Villi and Vettaikaran)
(ii) Kattunayackan
(iii)Malaikuravan
(iv)Yerukula
(v)Kuruman Govt. of Puducherry proposed on 2.9.2003 & 19.1.2012. RGI Agreed to proposal for inclusion of Irular (including Villi and Vettaikaran. RGI had not supported proposal for identification of other communities as ST.
Cabinet in respect of Irular (including Villi and Vettaikaran) has approved on 25.5.2016.